
Advisory Council Meeting
Cathy Hudgins Community Center at Southgate
12125 Pinecrest Rd, Reston, VA 20191

Minutes – March 1, 2022
(meeting held via ZOOM)

Council Members Present:

Darlana Ricks, Jan Bradshaw, Gerald Padmore, Carol Ann Bradley, Angela Davis, Kelsey Myers, Kathy Jones

Council Members Not Present:

Andy Sigle, Amer Bayoumi, Anthony Aviles, Maryam Orissi, Syazana Durani

Community and Staff Present:

Christine Hodgson, Karen De Mijango, Gwenn Minton, Ha Brock

Guests: Caren Anton, Lisa Schrest-Ehrhart

2020-2022 Council GOALS

Progress Workplan including:

- i. Increase balance in Advisory Fund to enhance capability to support SGCC programming efforts
- ii. Have all Council members involved in a minimum of 15 hours of service at SGCC
- iii. Have all Council positions filled
- iv. Support SGCC staff to increase outreach and programming to our adult communities

Meeting Call to Order: Darlana Ricks at 7:01pm.

Tonight's Agenda: Approved after motion and second by Kelsey Myers and Gerald Padmore

Past Meeting Minutes: Reviewed and approved after amending to correct spelling of Kelsey Myers last name - motion and second by Jan Bradshaw and Kelsey Myers

Reston Police Department Report (no representative present):

No report

Treasurer's Report (Gerald Padmore): Final balance as of February 23, 2022 – \$8,292.15

See Treasurer's report for detail

As a nonprofit can hold up to \$50,000 in funds

Chairman's Report (Darlana Ricks):

Christine Hodgson has been promoted to Director of the CHCC

Caren Anton (potential new Council member) introduced herself and Council members introduced themselves to her

Presented new Bylaws – thanks to Kelsey Myers for her work on the Bylaws

Discussed the volunteer training orientation process and next meeting is March 16 – all Council members should attend the training – a new requirement for volunteers involved with the rec/community centers

Mentioned the Valentine's Day BAC open house on February 14 held by Supervisor Alcorn

CHCC at Southgate - Director's Report (Christine Hodgson):

See Director's report for detail

Center hours are still modified due to COVID, but this may change in April

Partnering with library on a social justice book club

Music class will be starting soon

Spring break camp in April – started registrations

Will also host a summer camp

Doing virtual watch parties in conjunction with the Teen Center, RestON

Adults actively using pickleball courts and Zumba classes

SPARC back in the building – meeting Tues and Fri
New coffee chat event for parents – preference for a class instead
CAFB – asked for a flyer
Hosting open hire event for the various rec centers
Future programming – yoga class, therapy dogs, Dogwood/RCC community engagement event
Mural for the Kiss and Ride
Still need new staff
Need to offer English classes and self-defense classes
Kathy Jones indicated a barrier to success for ESL – need for childcare so that the parents participating can concentrate on learning
Carol Ann Bradley asked a question about the planned summer camp program and involvement of SACC
Gerald Padmore expressed a concern about capacity and staffing for the summer camp given two year unmet demand due to COVID

Cornerstones Report (no representative present):

No report

Reston Association (RA) Report (no representative present):

RA election – voting period has started through April 2
Three open positions – uncontested candidates but need to get 10% quorum vote
Results to be announced on April 12 RA board meeting
Dogwood ES and RA will be doing a clean up

Old Business: Scholarship program proposal

Working on establishing criteria, amount and advertising – focus on dedicated involvement with the CHCC – grade point average, volunteer work as possible criteria
First scholarship to be given in June 2023 with announcement in September 2022
Amount TBD and fundraising TBD
Next month there will be more information about the work of the scholarship committee - Carol Ann Bradley and Kathy Jones

New Business: Reston Arts Center meeting – Darlena Ricks and Jan Bradshaw attended first meeting

Consider attending future meetings
Nominating Committee needed to bring a slate of candidates – need a chair for this committee
Next meeting is April 5 at 7pm

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm